

# *The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost*

Sunday, July 3, 2022 at 9 o'clock in the morning

*~Outdoors on the Labyrinth~*

## **The Holy Eucharist, Rite Two**

**Prelude**

*Variations on America*

Thomas Keesecker

### **THE WORD OF GOD**

Opening Acclamation:

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

*People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.*

#### **The Collect for Purity**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lord have mercy.

*People Christ have mercy.*

Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant The Lord be with you.*

*People And also with you.*

*Celebrant Let us pray.*

#### **The Collect for the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost:**

*O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

#### **The Collect for Independence Day:**

*Lord God Almighty, in whose Name the founders of this country won liberty for themselves and for us, and lit the torch of freedom for nations then unborn: Grant that we and all the people of this land may have grace to maintain our liberties in righteousness and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

## **The First Lesson: Isaiah 66:10-14**

Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her—that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom.

For thus says the Lord: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees. As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the Lord is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*Thanks be to God.*

## **Psalm 66:1-8**

Be joyful in God, all you lands; \*  
sing the glory of his Name;  
sing the glory of his praise.

Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! \*  
because of your great strength your enemies  
cringe before you.

All the earth bows down before you, \*  
sings to you, sings out your Name."

Come now and see the works of God, \*  
how wonderful he is in his doing toward all people.

He turned the sea into dry land,  
so that they went through the water on foot, \*  
and there we rejoiced in him.

In his might he rules for ever;  
his eyes keep watch over the nations; \*  
let no rebel rise up against him.

Bless our God, you peoples; \*  
make the voice of his praise to be heard;

Who holds our souls in life, \*  
and will not allow our feet to slip.

## **The Gospel**

**Luke 10:1-11, 16-20**

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.’ “Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.”

The seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!” He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

## **The Homily**

The Reverend Sarah A. Conner

## The Nicene Creed

*We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.*

*For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.*

*For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.*

*On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.*

*He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

## **The Prayers of the People**

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Alan and Gayle, our Bishops; Martha, our Regional Canon and Sarah, our Interim Priest; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. We pray for The Church of Our Saviour, Somerset; Christ Church, Swansea; Young Adults Ministry; Youth Council; Youth Leadership Academy and all Youth Ministries and The Barbara C. Harris Camp and Conference Center. Pray for the Church.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. We pray for all who are serving in the armed forces, especially Ken Christian, James Daley, Justin Anaya, John Schweizer, Wesley Lefavour, Nic Jacobs, and Sean Kiely, Teddy Libelo. Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. We pray for Lily; Chris; Ron Budka; Lloyd Dixon; Kirsten; Patty McGregor; Tatiana; Demetrius Johnson; David Auxer; Peg Zilinsky; Elena; Bill Trenchard and family; Ronald; Marian; Alison Kemper and family; James and family; Nikki and family; Sandy; Katharine Pearce; Ginny Johnson; Michelle Abell, Bill and Phil; Katie Kiely; Lorraine Legendre; Nancy and Jeff Santora; Ava; Erin; the Estep family. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for our parish. Grant us the wisdom and grace to do Your will as we seek a new rector. Bless us with clear eyes, listening ears, and discerning minds. Speak to all of our hearts, the hearts of our Search Committee, and our parish leadership as we seek a new rector. Help us to discover a mutual path toward fulfilling Your will for us and the community we serve.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed, especially Louise Hughes and Thomas Barton Hughes, Charles E. and Peter E. Smith, Jane R. Smith, Alfonse and Katherine V. Zilinsky, Lis Gordon, and for the Bernardini and DeLollis families, for whom our Sanctuary candle burns. Pray for those who have died.

*Silence*

I invite your prayers and thanksgivings, either silently or aloud.

*Silence*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

*Silence*

## **Confession of Sin**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.*

*Celebrant*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

## **The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

## **Announcements**

### **Offertory**

*A Celtic Set for Lent*

Thomas Keesecker

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

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The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts.

*We lift them to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

*Celebrant*

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

*Glory to you for ever and ever.*

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

*By your will they were created and have their being.*

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the stewards of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

*Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.*

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

*By his blood, he reconciled us.*

*By his wounds, we are healed.*

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Celebrant and People

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

*Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

*Celebrant continues*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

*We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.*

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

*Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.*

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *Amen.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.*

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant:* Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People:* Therefore let us keep the feast. *Alleluia.*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*People should come forward to the celebrant to receive.  
~All Christians of every tradition are welcome to receive Communion~*

## Post-Communion Prayer

*Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## The Blessing

## The Dismissal

Minister: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

## Postlude

*Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*

Michael Larkin

*~St. Peter's feeds God's people - all are welcome at our table~*



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